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FIVE-YEAR PLAN RESULTS GIVEN
FOR APRIL, FIRST 4 MONTHS OF 1949

PLAN FULFILLED 99.7 PERCENT IN APRIL -- Rude Pravo, No 118, 20 May 49

The State Statistical Office has announced that the Five-Year Plan was 99.7 percent completed in April, and 102.2 percent for the first 4 months of the year.

The percentage results in individual industries were as follows:

Industry	Fulfillment (%)	
	Apr	First 4 mo
Total (not including food)	99.7	102.2
Mining	99.4	100.5
Power	98.9	102.5
Metallurgy	97.2	104.1
Metalworking	98.5	99.9
Chemical	101.7	101.9
Glass	101.3	98.7
Construction materials and ceramics	91.3	102.1
Paper	96.0	98.4
Wood	100.4	98.3
Textile and clothing	105.2	106.4
Leather and rubber	96.7	101.2
Phonograph and film	107.5	115.3

The low production of construction materials and ceramics was primarily responsible for the bad results of the plan this month. This low figure was due to the low production of bricks, which reached only 66.6 percent of the planned level.

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In the largest leather factory, Svit in Gottwaldov, lightning destroyed the transformer station on 22 April. As a result the whole plant was without electricity and unable to work for a week.

Mining fell below the plan primarily because only 97 percent of the planned amount of black coal was produced. This in turn is due to the reduced number of shifts worked on Sundays and holidays, as well as to the large numbers of vacations taken. The Kladno region fulfilled the plan by only 88.5 percent as a result of breakdowns of machinery in the Benes and Fierlinger mines, two of the largest mines in the region.

The low output in metallurgy is partly due to the shift from crude to finer products. A smaller weight of these latter is produced, which compares unfavorably with the plan, which is in tons.

In the metal industry the plan for rolled goods was not fulfilled. The output of electric motors of from 0.5 to 25 kilowatts was only 85.1 percent of the plan, since large export orders for motors up to 0.5 kilowatts drew activity away from larger motors. Sewing-machine production failed to fulfill the plan because new and untried types are now being produced. In other branches of the metal industry, however, the plan was fulfilled. Castings were fulfilled 103.6 percent, tractors 108.5, and trucks 102.4 percent.

The paper industry showed up badly, partly as a result of the antiquated equipment which the industry uses.

APRIL PLAN IN OSTRAVA -- Zemedelske Noviny, No 117, 19 May 49

The output of black coal in the Ostrava area dropped by about 2.5 percent in April, but the output for the first 4 months of the Five-Year Plan is above 100 percent. The production of pig iron increased markedly, while the output of steel remained at the March level. Automobile output was considerably above 100 percent in April. Truck production increased by 31 percent. In spite of the 5-percent decline in April, phosphorous fertilizer production is still above 100 percent of the plan for the first 4 months. The fall in April production is due to the fact that much work was expended in unloading raw materials.

The output of various branches of Ostrava industry is given below.

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Apr</u> (In % of plan)	<u>First 4 Months</u>
Black coal	98.5	100.7
Briquets	90.2	102.3
Coke	108.7	102.3
Electricity	97.6	101.6
Illuminating gas	99.9	104.1
Raw steel	103.7	103.7
Castings	128.3	105.5
Automobiles	128.0	136.4
Agricultural machines	130.1	133.2
Nitrogenous fertilizers	101.5	102.7
Phosphorous fertilizers	109.4	112.7
Paper	107.4	108.5
Cotton yarn	98.9	105.0
Wool yarn	98.1	97.9

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